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TITLE: Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at

9:30 am on Tuesday, May 5, 2015, in Conference Rooms 8-9-10 of the United

States Department of Transportation (DOT) Headquarters Building, 1200 New

Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. The primary purpose of the meeting is

to prepare for the sixty-eighth Session of the International Maritime Organization's

(IMO) Marine Environment Protection Committee to be held at the IMO

Headquarters, United Kingdom, May 11-15, 2015.

The agenda items to be considered include:

-Adoption of the agenda

-Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water

-Air pollution and energy efficiency

-Further technical and operational measures for enhancing energy efficiency

of international shipping

-Reduction of greenhouse gases (GHG) emissions from ships

-Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments

- -Review of nitrogen and phosphorus removal standards in the 2012

 Guidelines on the implementation of effluent standards and performance tests for sewage treatment plants
- -Use of electronic record books
- -Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas
- -Inadequacy of reception facilities
- -Reports of sub-committees
- -Work of other bodies
- -Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL and related instruments
- -Technical co-operation activities for the protection of the marine environment
- -Capacity building for the implementation of new measures
- -Work program of the Committee and subsidiary bodies
- -Application of the Committee's Guidelines
- -Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- -Any other business
- -Consideration of the report of the Committee

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the

room. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable

accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator,

LCDR Matt Frazee, by e-mail at imo@uscg.mil, or by phone at (202) 372-1376,

not later than April 29, 2015, 7 days prior to the meeting. Upon request, a limited

number of teleconference lines may be available. Requests made after April 29,

2015 might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security

considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be

presented to gain entrance to the DOT Headquarters building. The DOT

Headquarters building is accessible by public transportation (Navy Yard subway

station), taxi and privately owned conveyance.

Dated: March 25, 2015.

Marc Zlomek, Executive Secretary,

Shipping Coordinating Committee,

Department of State.

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